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WHO IS TO REIGN IN GERMANY?

(Baker's Service to the China Mail)

THE ARMISTICE QUESTION.

EFFECT OF KAISER'S ABDICATION.
London, Nov. 9.
The Kaiser's abdication has strengthened the belief that the German Government will accept the Armistice.

"FEARFUL CONDITIONS."

GERMANY'S DESPAIRING APPEAL.
"WE HAD TO ACCEPT THESE CONDITIONS."
Berlin, Nov. 11.
Secretary of State to Mr. Lansing: The Secretary is in accord with the common aims and ideals of Democracy. The German Government addressed themselves to the President of the United States with a request to re-establish peace. The peace was to correspond with the principles which the President has always maintained. Its aim was to be a just solution of all questions. Furthermore, the President declared that he did not wish to interfere with peaceful development.

The German Government has received the Conditional Armistice. After a blockade of fifty months, Peace conditions, especially the surrender of the means of transport and the sustenance of the troops of occupation, would make it impossible to provide Germany with food and would cause the starvation of millions of men, women and children, all the more as the blockade is to continue. We had to accept these conditions, but we feel it our duty to draw President Wilson's attention most solemnly and with all earnestness to the fact that the enforcement of these conditions must produce amongst the German people feelings contrary to those upon which alone the reconstruction of the community of Nations can rest guaranteeing a just and durable peace. The German people, therefore, in this fateful hour address themselves again to the President with the request to use his influence with the Allied Powers to mitigate those fearful conditions. Please confirm.

THE GERMAN EMPIRE.

ABDICATING AND RENUNCIATION.
A REGENCY AND GENERAL SUFFRAGE.
London, Nov. 9.
A wireless German official message states:—
Prince Max of Baden, the Imperial Chancellor, has issued the following decree:—
"The Kaiser and King has decided to renounce his throne. The Imperial Chancellor will remain in office until questions connected with abdication by the Kaiser, the renouncing by the Crown Prince of the Throne of the German Empire and of Prussia, and the setting up of a Regency have been settled.
For the Regency he intends to appoint Deputy Ebert as Imperial Chancellor and he has proposed that a Bill be brought in for the establishment of a law providing for the immediate promulgation of general suffrage and for a constitutional German National Assembly which will settle finally the future form of the government of the German nation and of these peoples desirous of coming within the Empire."

THE POSITION AT BREMEN.

SOLDIERS' COUNCIL RECOGNISED AS CIVIL AUTHORITY.
Amsterdam, Nov. 9.
The *Wezer Zeitung* publishes an agreement between the Bremen Soldiers' Council and the Commander of the garrison, providing for the joint control of the military authority, the provisioning of the town and also the release of political and military prisoners, and the recognition of the Soldiers' Council as a civil authority.

THE TURKISH ARMISTICE.

THE POSITION AT ADEN.
London, Nov. 11.
In the House of Commons, replying to Sir John Jardine, Lord Robert Cecil stated that some time must elapse before the terms of the Turkish Armistice could be fully carried out at Aden owing to the conditions there, but he did not think there was the slightest danger to the settlement at Aden.

M. CLEMENCEAU'S ORATION.

Paris, Nov. 7.
M. Clemenceau made a most impressive oration, the best delivered during his career. He was cheered, the whole Chamber standing during the memorable oration. M. Clemenceau mentioned that the German Imperial Democratic Government ought to apply to Marshal Foch. He paid a high tribute to the assistance rendered to France by her Allies, and then made an appeal to cease domestic quarrels. "France stands for the idealistic conception of humanity," he said, "which has prevailed in the world. France wishes a humanitarian crusade. M. Clemenceau's speech will be placarded everywhere in France."
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FRANCE PLEASED WITH AUSTRIAN ARMISTICE.

Paris, Nov. 7.
The Chamber of Deputies was officially made acquainted with the terms of the Austrian armistice. M. Clemenceau said that the Austrian armistice was a brilliant success, and that the French Government was pleased with it. He said that the French Government was pleased with the Austrian armistice, and that the French Government was pleased with the Austrian armistice.



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THE WAR.

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SUNDAY'S TELEGRAMS.

ARMISTICE QUESTION.

GERMAN FLENIPOENTIARIES AT KIEL HEADQUARTERS.

MERR BRZBERGER'S MESSAGE TO THE CHANCELLOR.

London, Nov. 8.

A wireless German official report states that Herr Erzberger, on behalf of the German Plenipotentiaries, has sent a message to the Imperial Chancellor and the German High Military and Naval Commands as follows:—

"At the Allied General Headquarters on Friday morning the Plenipotentiaries received the conditions of the Armistice as well as a formal demand that they must be accepted or refused within 72 hours, expiring at 11 o'clock on Monday morning."

"The German proposal for an immediate conclusion of a provisional suspension of hostilities was rejected by Marshal Foch."

"A German courier bearing the text of the conditions of the Armistice has been sent to Spa. Other means of communication are unpracticable."

"Please acknowledge receipt and send back the courier as soon as possible with your latest instructions."

"Sending fresh delegates is unnecessary at present."

"CEASE FIRE" AT THE FRONT.

GERMAN REPORT.

Paris, Nov. 8.

A German wireless message announces that in order to permit the passage of the German delegates orders were given to "cease fire" at the front from 8 o'clock on the afternoon of Thursday.

PENALTY FOR PROTRACTED STRUGGLE.

FRENCH PRESS SUGGEST EXTRA INDEMNITY.

Paris, Nov. 7.

The French Press urges that the German envoys must be informed that in the event of any protraction of this hopeless conflict Germany will be required to pay the extra cost, day by day, within a given time, and an extra amount of indemnity will be added.

AUSTRIAN ARMISTICE TERMS "DISHONOURABLE."

WHY EMPEROR KARL REFUSES TO SIGN.

COPENHAGEN, Nov. 8.

A message from Vienna states that Emperor Karl has refused to sign the Armistice on the ground that the terms are dishonourable.

The Chief of Staff, General von Arz, has signed the Armistice. The Emperor has handed over the Supreme Military Command to Field-Marshal Koessel.

CAUSES OF THE GERMAN REVOLT.

MUTINY SPREADS TO OTHER NAVAL BASES.

GREAT EXCITEMENT IN BERLIN.

London, Nov. 8.

According to a message from The Hague additional causes of the German revolt were scarcity of food, the harsh treatment of sailors, and the collapse of Germany's military power.

It is reported that nearly the whole fleet is now affected and it is confirmed that the movement has spread to Wilhelmshaven, Cuxhaven, Bremen and Heligoland.

Herr Liebknecht has formed a Soldiers' Council at Bremen.

The news of the revolt has caused the greatest excitement in Berlin, where the police occupy factories.

Meetings of Independent Socialists have been prohibited.

REVOILT EXTENDS TO NORTH SEA AND BALTIC PORTS.

SOLDIERS' COUNCILS AFFECTED.

London, Nov. 8.

The Military and Naval revolts in Germany continue. It has been agreed to the Soldiers' Councils, which control some of the most important North Sea and Baltic ports.

The movement so far has been characterized by the absence of grave disorder and bloodshed, except at Hamburg, from where there are only slight details.

PRINCE HENRY OF PRUSSIA.

HURRIED FLIGHT FROM KIEL.

ATTEMPT ON HIS LIFE.

COPENHAGEN, Nov. 8.

The *Schleswiger Volks Zeitung* states that Prince Henry of Prussia departed from Kiel on Wednesday. Although his automobile had a red flag and the Prince wore a red armband, he was recognised and pursued by automobiles with marines, who fired a dozen shots, but apparently the Prince got away.

PROHIBITION OF SOLDIERS' COUNCILS.

AMSTERDAM, Nov. 8.

A message from Berlin states that the Commandant of Brandenburg in a proclamation prohibits the projected formation of Workers' and Soldiers' Councils on the Russian model.

GERMAN SOCIALISTS DEMAND KAISER'S ABDICATION.

A THREAT TO RESIGN FROM GOVERNMENT.

AMSTERDAM, Nov. 8.

The German Socialists demand the abdication of the Kaiser. The Reichstag has sent an ultimatum to the Chancellor, Prince Max of Baden, that the Socialists would resign from the Government unless the Kaiser and Crown Prince abdicate forthwith.

KAISER TO RENOUNCE THRONE.

GERMAN OFFICIAL REPORT.

LONDON, Nov. 9.

A wireless German official report states that the Kaiser has decided to renounce the Throne.

KAISER RETURNS TO BERLIN.

AMSTERDAM, Nov. 8.

The Kaiser has returned to Berlin from Headquarters.

TELEGRAPHIC COMMUNICATION WITH OUTSIDE WORLD.

STOPPED AND RE-OPENED.

AMSTERDAM, Nov. 8.

Telegraphic communication between Amsterdam and Berlin has been resumed.

COPENHAGEN, Nov. 8.

Since last night telegraphic communication between Berlin and Copenhagen has been discontinued.

LONDON, Nov. 8.

Following the stoppage of telegraphic communication between Copenhagen and Berlin, comes the announcement from Reuters' Correspondent at Amsterdam that, at the request of the Berlin postal authorities, telegraphic communication between Amsterdam and the following towns has ceased, namely, Berlin, Hamburg, Luebeck and Bremen.

GERMAN NAVAL CADETS FLEE FROM KIEL.

LONDON, Nov. 8.

The German Naval schoolship *Schleswig* with 400 Cadets and 130 marines have arrived at the Danish harbour of Marstal from Kiel, whence they fled during the revolt.

BIG DISTURBANCES IN HANOVER.

AMSTERDAM, Nov. 7.

Travellers from Germany report that big disturbances occurred at Hanover. The mutineers took possession of the barracks and disarmed the officers, handcuffed and carried off the Commander of the Seventh Army Corps.

The State Secretary of the Food Department has issued a proclamation promising early alleviations of the present food shortages. It announces that peace and the raising of the blockade are now close at hand.

GERMAN INVASION OF AUSTRIA.

BAVARIAN TROOPS TO TYROL.

A WARNING TO AUSTRIA.

ZURICH, Nov. 8.

The *Innsbrucker Nachrichten* announces that the Bavarian War Minister has telegraphed to the Tyrol National Council that the Armistice conditions compelled the sending on the 6th of strong Bavarian forces to Tyrol, and warning them that, in the event of obstacles, the troops have been ordered to force their passage.

[Tyrol is a province in the Austrian dominions on the S.W. frontier of Germany.]

AUSTRIAN PROTESTS.

ARMISTICE ENDANGERED.

AMSTERDAM, Nov. 8.

The *Neue Free Press* states that the Austro-Bavarian Supreme Command, and likewise the Foreign Ministry, have protested to Germany against the invasion. The journal declares that the step endangers the Armistice as it is impossible for Austria to prevent the Germans from carrying out their intentions.

THE BATTLE.

A COMING DEBACLE.

RELENTLESS PRESSURE ON THE ENEMY.

LONDON, Nov. 8.

Yesterday will be historic as the date of the entry of the Americans into Sedan marking the beginning of the debacle which had been fore-shadowed.

Since Saturday the Allies have been relentlessly pressing on both flanks and may be expected to hurry the enemy until the defeat results in a surrender, for the roads are too few to admit of a successful retirement even if the morale of the Germans is unshaken.

From the Oise, the Serre and the Aisne the Germans are rushing towards Charleville and Metz, on which all the railways converge. From here they have only a single line of railway by which to escape if unable to stand there.

The Americans, with General Gouraud's Army on their left, are advancing to this junction very speedily.

General Debeney's troops, on the left of them, are following up the enemy, despite the rain and the soaking roads, and are barely nine miles from Metz and three miles from Hirson, while the British are closing on Mons and Maubeuge, whose capture with that of Hirson would shut another great avenue of escape, throwing back the enemy on Arras.

The Germans east of Sedan may escape towards Metz, but half a million of them west of that breach are bound to become a huddled mass of fugitives seeking to escape disaster, which only an armistice is likely to prevent. This is the explanation of the German appeal for a temporary cessation of hostilities while the Delegates are at French Headquarters.

ENEMY'S LATERAL LINE CUT.

TRANSPORT OF SUPPLIES TO WHOLE FRONT INTERRUPTED.

PARIS, Nov. 8.

A semi-official report states:—The lateral line by which supplies are transported for the whole of the German front between Brussels and Metz is definitely cut.

Yesterday the advance on the whole front ranged between five to ten kilometres.

SHARP FIGHTING ON BRITISH FRONT.

ECLAIRES AND LIMONT, FONTAINE CAPTURED.

LONDON, Nov. 8.

Field-Marshal Sir Douglas Haig reports:—There was sharp fighting yesterday evening in the neighbourhood of Eclaires and Limont Fontaine, south of Hautmont. We captured these villages and took a number of prisoners.

Our advance south of Monscon-de-Cassel continued.

GERMANS EVACUATING TOURNAI.

FRENCH VERY NEAR HIRSON.

LONDON, Nov. 8.

Reuter's Agency learns that the enemy is evacuating Tournai. We occupied the western half and crossed the Scheldt at Hollain, north of St. Amant, and crossed the Conde Canal, three miles east of Conde. We occupied St. Remimbart and Fontaine, south-west of Maubeuge.

Southwards the French are very near Hirson and Avoyennes.

FRENCH ADVANCE PROGRESSING.

1,500 PRISONERS TAKEN.

LONDON, Nov. 8.

A French communiqué states:—Our advance continues this morning on the whole front.

Our advanced elements reached Liart, 30 kilometres north of Rothal. More to our right, before daybreak, we captured Singlyfrances, and penetrated the suburbs of Sedan.

We took over 1,500 prisoners yesterday and much more material.

SHIPBUILDING CONTRACTS IN SHANGHAI.

QUESTION IN PARLIAMENT.

LONDON, Nov. 5.

In the House of Commons Mr. Houston suggested the appointment of a tribunal to investigate the building of merchantmen in Shanghai and the action of Messrs. Vickers' representative in China in connection with the Kangnan yard and the building of vessels for American interests.

Mr. Bonar Law replied that he had enquired into the matter and the Government was satisfied that there was absolutely no necessity for such an enquiry.

PORT OF LONDON CHARGES INCREASED BY 30 PER CENT.

LONDON, Nov. 8.

Port of London charges have been increased by 30 per cent.

BREACHES OF LAWS OF WAR.

BRITISH TRIBUNAL TO TRY CULPRITS.

ITS COMPOSITION ANNOUNCED.

LONDON, Nov. 8.

The War Cabinet has authorised the Attorney-General to appoint a Committee to enquire into enemy breaches of the Laws and Customs of War, and the responsibility for these, with particular reference to the members of the German and other enemy forces, including highly placed individuals.

The constitution of the Tribunal for the trial of these offences will include Sir John Macdonell, Chairman; Professor J. H. Morgan, Vice-Chairman of the Committee.

THE BALKANS OFFENSIVE.

SERBIANS TAKE TOLDAVA, ZEMLIN, ETC.

LONDON, Nov. 8.

A Serbian official report states:—Our troops entered Toldava, Zemlin and Mitrovica and were also welcomed at Vrsgrad.

NATIONAL GOVERNMENT FOR POLAND.

TO CONSIST OF LABOUR REPRESENTATIVES.

AMSTERDAM, Nov. 8.

A message from Warsaw says the Polish Cabinet has issued a manifesto that the interests of the privileged classes must give way to the will of the country. Therefore, a National Government will be formed forthwith, mainly consisting of the representatives of workers.

BOSNIA UNITED TO SERBIA AND YUGO-SLAVIA.

LONDON, Nov. 8.

The unity of Bosnia with Serbia and Yugo-Slavia has been proclaimed.

BOLSHEVIST ACTIVITIES IN NEUTRAL COUNTRIES.

PRECAUTIONS BY SWITZERLAND AND DENMARK.

LONDON, Nov. 8.

Following the recent report of Bolshevik propaganda in Sweden, it transpires that Denmark has taken Naval and Military precautions against the entrance of Bolshevik agitators, while the Swiss Government has expelled the Bolshevik delegates owing to their threatening attitude and has mobilised troops at Zurich owing to Extreme Socialists urging the soldiers to disobey orders and threatening trouble on the occasions of the anniversary of the Russian Revolution.

MESOPOTAMIA.

CONGRATULATIONS TO GENERAL MARSHAL.

LONDON, Nov. 8.

The Press Bureau states:—Mr. E. S. Montagu, Secretary of State for India, has telegraphed to General Marshall as follows:—"I congratulate you and the Army under your command on your signal victory. The war in Mesopotamia has been a war of liberation. Its history is a history of ceaseless determination, patient preparation, daring successes and persistent reverses which could not affect the triumphs of General Maude's Armies have been continued under your leadership and your final success is a fitting climax to campaigns which have culminated in the rescue of Iraq from the most totally defeated Turk. Officers and men of the Indian Army have taken an ever memorable part in these great achievements."

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TELEGRAMS.

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THE BATTLE.

THE BRITISH FRONT.

NEARING MONS.

ADVANCE ON WHOLE FRONT.

London, Nov. 10.

Field-Marshal Sir Douglas Haig reports:—

We are advancing on the whole British Front.

The Fourth and Third Armies, on the right, are advancing astride the Sambre river towards the Belgian frontier, meeting with little organized resistance.

The First Army, in the centre, rapidly progressed astride the Mons-Condé Canal. South of the Canal we crossed the Maubeuge-Mons railway and are approaching Mons. North of the Mons-Condé Canal the First Army's left in conjunction with the Fifth Army's right cleared the area between the Scheldt river and the Anking Canal, capturing Peruwé, and crossed the Anking Canal south of Peruwé.

On the left the Fifth and Second Armies gained the east bank of the Scheldt on the whole front.

The Fifth Army captured Antoing and Tournai, and progressed east of these towns.

The Second Army is approaching Renaix.

RENAIX CAPTURED.

ENEMY RETIRING ON WHOLE FRONT.

London, Nov. 10.

Field-Marshal Sir Douglas Haig reports:—

Our advanced guards are in contact with the retiring enemy on the whole front.

We occupied Fambourg-le-Bertin, on the southern outskirts of Mons.

Further north we are approaching Leuze and have captured Renaix.

ADVANCES ON THE BELGIAN FRONT.

London, Nov. 10.

A British communiqué from the Belgian Front states:—

The Belgians occupy the western bank of the Ghent-Terwaan canal from the Dutch frontier to Ghent station.

The French occupied Melden, 12 miles east of that place and the northern part of Meerw.

The British occupied the southern part of Meerw.

THE AMERICAN FRONT.

ADVANCE ON THE MEUSE.

MORE POSITIONS CAPTURED.

London, Nov. 10.

An American communiqué states: Crossing the Meuse south of Stenay, we captured Moucy and pushed through the Woëvre Forest, and captured Jarnetz, Soupply and Removille.

South of Badonvillers we captured Moiray, Thionvill and Manhoules, all of which were vigorously defended.

THE FRENCH FRONT.

MEZIERES SURROUNDED.

London, Nov. 10.

Further east, after forcing a crossing at Thion and Aubé, we carried Platin, to the north, despite resistance.

We advanced considerably beyond Signy-le-Petit and reached the railway from Mezieres to Hirson. We surround Mezieres and have crossed the Meuse further east.

FURTHER ADVANCE BY FRENCH.

London, Nov. 10.

A French communiqué states:—

We advanced fifteen kilometres at certain points, capturing prisoners, guns and considerable material, including several railway trains.

Our cavalry crossed the Belgian frontier and is hustling the enemy rearward.

We occupied Gligon, four miles from Hirson, Anor and St. Michel, and are pushing the enemy beyond these places on a general line from Hirson to the southern edge of St. Michel Forest to Mouchalot.

HELTER-SKELTER RETREAT OF GERMANS.

ON 70-MILE FRONT.

LAST DECISIVE PHASE OF WAR.

Paris, Nov. 7.

The great victories on the Western Front are a prelude to "an even greater victory. On a 70-mile front, between the Scheldt and the Aisne, the Germans have been forced to retreat helter-skelter.

On the British right, General Debanc's First French Army took 4,000 prisoners, whose was captured and positions carried of enormous strength and importance.

Between the Aisne and Chateau Porcien the French penetrated all parts of the Hunding line and compelled the enemy to retreat over six miles.—Havas.

GERMAN REPORT.

London, Nov. 9.

A wireless German official report states:—

We evacuated part of Tournai lying on the west bank of the Scheldt.

We withdrew between the Scheldt and the Oise and west of the Meuse.

CROATIA UNITED TO SERBIA.

Amsterdam, Nov. 9.

The *Weser Zeitung* states that the Croatian National Council at Agrium passed a resolution to be united to Serbia.

THE SILVER MARKET.

London, Nov. 11.

Messrs. Samuel-Montagu & Company's Silver Report states:—

The Market is unchanged though a recent reduction in insurance rates will doubtless be reflected in the price of silver.

MORE TROUBLE IN THE COTTON TRADE.

London, Nov. 11.

The Cotton Spinners and Card-room Workers Amalgamation has decided to take a ballot of its 100,000 members on the question of striking owing to the employers' refusal to grant a 10 per cent. advance in wages.

The employers have offered an advance of 20 per cent.

The manufacturers have refused the cotton weavers' application for a 50 per cent. advance in wages.

The men's federation will submit a claim to its committee on the question of production.

AMERICAN COTTON GINNING CENSUS.

London, Nov. 11.

The Washington census of cotton ginned to October 31st shows 7,794,000 bales.

THE SITUATION IN RUSSIA.

THE CONDITIONS IN WEST SIBERIA.

DRASTIC ACTION WITH STRIKERS.

London, Nov. 11.

"Some insight of the conditions in West Siberia is afforded in a telegram from General Dietrichs addressed to 'All the Commanders of the Czech-Slovak contingents on the railroad from Ufa and from Ekaterinburg to Vladivostok.'"

"It reads:—

'Notwithstanding that the Siberian railway is handling heavy transports from the east to the front, where already for four months we have been fighting the Germans, Magyars and Bolsheviks, strikes are occurring on the line freed from the enemy by our efforts, thereby delaying the conveyance of troops and munitions and congesting the stations with the bodies of refugees moving from the west to the east.'

"I do not wish to interfere with the administration of the railway but we are waging a life-and-death struggle and are compelled to remove the obstacles hindering success. I therefore order the Commanders of stations to remove from service immediately all strikers, treating them as enemies and confining them in concentration camps together with their relatives. Red Guards in the event of resistance, agitation or insubordination, call the nearest troops and after order by force of arms hanging strikers and selling members."

EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

SITUATION IN GERMANY.

GERMANY CONQUERED ITS BELIEF IN JUSTICE OF MIGHT.

PROCLAMATION TO GERMANS ABROAD.

London, Nov. 8.

A wireless German official message says:—

The Imperial Chancellor has issued a proclamation to Germans abroad as follows:—

In these hard days many living outside the Fatherland, surrounded by hatred and malicious rejoicing by heavy-hearted. Do not abandon trust in the German people. Our soldiers fought heroically to the last as no army ever fought. The Home land has shown unshaken power of endurance and suffering. Forsaken in the fifth year by their allies, the Germans could not carry on the struggle against the growing superiority of their enemies. Victory, for which many hoped, is not granted us, but the German people has won a greater victory, for it has conquered itself and its belief in the justice of might. From this victory we will draw for the hard times before us a new strength whereon you too can build."

WILL THE KAISER ABDICATE?

CONFLICTING REPORTS.

Amsterdam, Nov. 9.

The *Local Anzeiger* says the Kaiser refused the Socialist suggestion of voluntary abdication.

LATER.

The Kaiser informed the Minister of the Interior that he would refuse to abdicate at a moment when peace was being concluded which would mean surrendering Germany to the Entente. Abdication would produce complete anarchy and augmentation of Bolshevism for which he would not assume responsibility.

LONDON, NOV. 9.

The Kaiser has decided to renounce the Throne.

AN ULTIMATUM BY THE SOCIAL DEMOCRATS.

Amsterdam, Nov. 9.

The Social Democratic ultimatum as regards the Kaiser stipulated that he must abdicate by midday on November 8. A later message reported that the time limit was extended to six in the evening.

The ultimatum further demanded the reinforcement of Socialist influence in the Government, and the reformation of the Prussian Ministry along the lines of the Reichstag majority parties. *Forwards*, publishing the ultimatum, said: "Peace is assured. In a few hours an armistice will have been concluded."

GERMAN CHANCELLOR TENDERS RESIGNATION.

London, Nov. 9.

A wireless German message says:—

In view of the altered parliamentary situation, Prince Max of Baden has tendered his resignation which has not yet been accepted.

LATER.

A Copenhagen message states that the Kaiser has asked Prince Max to remain in office for the present.

THE RED FLAG.

Amsterdam, Nov. 9.

The *Hamburg Echo* has been rechristened "The Red Flag."

The paper reports that ten were killed in the fighting at the barracks. The Prussian military headquarters easily fell into the hands of the revolutionaries as the Commander and Staff had already quit Hamburg.

The revolutionaries have occupied all stations.

BAYARIA A REPUBLIC.

A STRIKING PROCLAMATION.

Amsterdam, Nov. 9.

A message from Munich reports that a Soldiers', Workers' and Peasants' Council has been formed at Munich and has issued a proclamation announcing that henceforth Bavaria will be a free State and that a People's Government is being formed immediately. Meanwhile the Council has constituted itself into a Diet.

The proclamation adds that the Democratic Socialist Republic of Bavaria has the strength to realise for Germany which shall preserve the country from the work of a Constituent National Assembly elected by all adults will it possible be convoked. A new title is claiming in Bavaria, which will make Germany ready for the League of Nations. Revolution was necessary in order at the last moment to prepare the people self-government for without too terrible shocks before the enemy armies strain across the country or before the troops after the armistice cease about. The Council promises to suppress all excesses, maintain order and safeguard personal property. The soldiers in barracks will govern themselves by means of Soldiers' Councils. Officers who do not resist will be allowed to carry on. All officers will remain at their posts. All officers will remain at their posts. All officers will remain at their posts.

THE PEACE TERMS.

AN HISTORIC MEETING.

London, Nov. 8.

So far there have been no official details of the historic meeting to-day behind the French lines; not even the name of the meeting place is yet known.

Herr Erzberger and his colleagues arrived inside the French lines last night and were taken to a village on the Aisne where they were formally received at six o'clock this morning by Marshal Foch and his Chief of Staff, General Weygand and Admiral Weygand.

A German courier left for Main Headquarters at Spa by automobile before noon with the text of the armistice terms.

AN ACCOUNT OF THE INTERVIEW.

Paris, Nov. 9.

The newspapers publish the following account of yesterday's interview:—

The historic meeting apparently took place at a chateau near Senlis. Herr Erzberger speaking in French formally explained the Mission of the German delegates. The delegates were prepared for these terms in bulk but when they heard the details they understood for the first time the extent of the German defeat. After the delegates had made a few observations regarding the difficulties of carrying out certain clauses, Herr Erzberger asked, in the interests of humanity, that an immediate suspension of arms should be ordered. Marshal Foch replied that there could be no suspension till the armistice is signed.

FLABBERGASTED DELEGATES.

London, Nov. 9.

While nothing is yet known as to the exact nature of the terms, observers report that they clearly flabbergasted the German plenipotentiaries whose general attitude seemed to indicate that they were ready to bow to their fate.

COURIER DELAYED BY GERMAN FIRE.

London, Nov. 9.

The Press Bureau announces that owing to the heavy German barrage and machine-gun fire on the battle-front, the passage of the German courier from Marshal Foch's headquarters to Spa was so delayed that he was not expected to reach German Headquarters till the afternoon of the 9th.

It is not likely that any decision in regard to the armistice will be reached to-day.

RULER OF BRUNSWICK ABDICATES.

Copenhagen, Nov. 9.

A message from Berlin says that the Duke of Brunswick and his successor have abdicated.

THE LAST OF THE WITTELSBACHS.

Basle, Nov. 9.

A message from Munich states that a meeting in the Diet building on the 8th decreed the deposition of the Wittelsbach dynasty.

THE DEMANDS OF MUNICH SOCIALISTS.

Basle, Nov. 9.

The proclamation of a Republic in Munich followed upon a monster meeting organised by the Socialist party. After fiery speeches it passed a resolution demanding the abdication of the Emperor, renunciation of the Crown Prince's right to the throne, acceptance of the armistice and introduction of an eight hours day.

A mile-long procession, including numerous soldiers, marched to the Palace and Ministries where proclamations were hurriedly posted urging calm.

PENDING THANKSGIVING SERVICES.

London, Nov. 9.

The Archbishop of Canterbury and the leaders of the Nonconformists have issued a notice to the clergy suggesting that the churches be kept open continuously in preparation for immediate thanksgiving services.

THE "GOEBEN" TRANSFERRED TO TURK.

London, Nov. 9.

The Germans having transferred the *Goeben* to the Turks the battleship will be interned in a Turkish port.

KING EMMANUEL VISITS TRENT.

Rome, Nov. 9.

King Emmanuel has visited Trent and received an ovation.

BERLIN BANKS STOP PAYMENT.

Amsterdam, Nov. 9.

It is reliably reported that owing to a rush on the banks of Berlin payment has been stopped.

CASUALTIES WILL INCREASE.

It is impossible to estimate the number of casualties in the last few days of the war, but it is probable that the number will be in the millions.

THE DISORDERS SPREADING.

Copenhagen, Nov. 9.

An authoritative statement from Berlin regarding the situation in the northern provinces shows that disorders have extended further.

In Bremen speeches were made in the market place by an independent Socialist who was recently released from prison and by some soldiers demanding a Socialist Republic and a Workers' and Soldiers' Council, the liberation of military prisoners and the opening of the civil prisons.

It is reported from Hamburg that the Workers' and Soldiers' Councils Central Bureau has announced that all official and military buildings will be occupied, provisions and magazines guarded and plunderers punished with immediate death.

Negotiations with the Senate are proceeding.

Railway traffic is restricted to two trains.

The leaders of the movement have appealed to the inhabitants to maintain order. According to reports so far this has not been done. There have been excesses and small groups of troops have been compelled by the rioters to join them.

THE PEACE TERMS.

ASSURANCES FOR THE DOMINIONS.

London, Nov. 9.

The Press Bureau states that Mr. Hughes's statement that the peace terms had been definitely settled at the recent conference at Versailles without consulting the Dominions renders necessary a statement of the actual position. The British Government has always recognised that the magnificent efforts and sacrifices by the Dominions and India entitled them to an equal voice with the United Kingdom in the settlement of the terms of peace. The whole question of the general peace settlement was exhaustively discussed by the Imperial War Cabinet last year, at which Australia, for domestic reasons, was not represented. The conclusions were communicated to Australia and were again reviewed by the Imperial War Cabinet this year, in which Australian representatives participated.

The British representatives at the recent Supreme War Council have done nothing inconsistent with the general conclusions, nor has the effective attainment in the final peace terms of any special objects to which the attention of the Imperial War Cabinet was drawn by the representative of the Dominions and India been prejudiced or prejudicial. The British Government has every intention of representing the Governments of the Dominions and India with itself in every stage in future discussions of the terms of peace. The Governments of the Dominions and India have been warned to hold themselves in readiness to come over or send representatives with a view to remaining in constant and closest touch with developments and being represented at the inter-Allied Conference to be convened shortly in order to consider in detail the practical application of the general principles of the peace settlement.

SERBIANS NEARING SARAJEVO.

London, Nov. 8.

A French Eastern communiqué says:—

On the Danube between Razar and Semlin and on the Save between Semlin and Mitrovica the Serbians broke down German resistance and crossed to the northern banks. They continued to pursue the Germans northwards.

The Serbians have reached Visegrad in Bosnia and are marching upon Sarajevo at the request of the Jugo-Slav Government.

200,000 DESERTERS IN BERLIN.

Copenhagen, Nov. 9.

The *Social-Demokraten* Berlin Correspondent states that a general railway strike has broken out in Germany. There are 200,000 deserters at present in Berlin.

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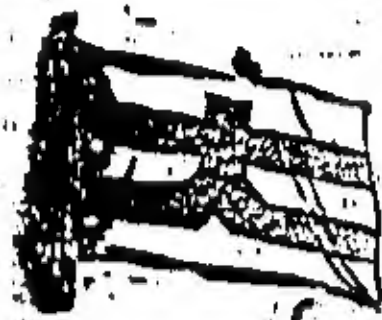
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